

# House File 191 - Introduced

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BY PETTENGILL

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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act prohibiting the use of artificial light on wildlife for  
2 hunting or recreational purposes.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
4 TLSB 1154HH 82  
5 av/je/5

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1 1 Section 1. Section 481A.93, Code 2007, is amended to read  
1 2 as follows:  
1 3 481A.93 ~~HUNTING BY~~ USE OF ARTIFICIAL LIGHT.  
1 4 1. A person shall not throw or cast the rays of a  
1 5 spotlight, headlight, or other artificial light on a highway,  
1 6 or in a field, woodland, or forest for the purpose of  
1 7 spotting, locating, or taking or attempting to take or hunt a  
1 8 bird or animal, except raccoons or other fur-bearing animals  
1 9 when treed with the aid of dogs, ~~while having in possession or~~  
~~1 10 control, either singly or as one of a group of persons, any~~  
~~1 11 firearm, bow, or other implement or device whereby a bird or~~  
~~1 12 animal could be killed or taken.~~  
1 13 2. This section does not apply to deer being taken by or  
1 14 under the control of a local governmental body within its  
1 15 corporate limits pursuant to an approved special deer  
1 16 population control plan.  
1 17 EXPLANATION  
1 18 This bill prohibits the use of spotlights, headlights, or  
1 19 other artificial light to spot, locate, take or attempt to  
1 20 take, or hunt a bird or animal, except raccoons or other  
1 21 fur-bearing animals when treed with the aid of dogs.  
1 22 Currently the use of artificial light in such a manner is  
1 23 prohibited only when the light is used by a person or group of  
1 24 persons that is also in possession of a weapon or device to  
1 25 kill or take the bird or animal.  
1 26 LSB 1154HH 82  
1 27 av:nh/je/5.1